

PRESENTATION OF MAISON ARTAGON

A restful place to refocus on a practice or to imagine new projects in an exceptional setting in the middle of nature.

Programme

Young artists' and cultural professionals' period of emergence and early career can be characterised by a frenzy of activities and projects, which can lead to mental overload and an inhability to move forward. Unlike a production and realisation-oriented residency with an expectation of results, Maison Artagon is instead a place for reflection, thinking and exploration. It also aims at allowing residents to take a break in a rejuvenating environment.

For variable periods ranging from two weeks to four weeks, depending on their needs, Maison Artagon welcomes artists, scholars, professionals, collectives and structures working in every fields of contemporary creation (visual arts, design, architecture, writing, publishing, music, performance, dance, theatre, cinema, cooking, fashion, etc.) who are looking for a privileged space to advance their projects and work on their research.

For example, it can mean conducting a specific research, reading, watching films, writing a text, a script or a play, designing an exhibition, carrying out the post-production phase of a film, working on a new sound composition or a performance, updating one's documentation, or putting together dossiers to apply to calls for projects.

Maison Artagon also offers a space of cohabitation and conviviality encouraging meetings and exchanges between people from different creative professions.

The house and its location

Located in the commune of Vitry-aux-Loges in the Loiret region, 2 hours from Paris by car or train, Maison Artagon is housed in a 19th century building of approximately 300 m². In the heart of a two-hectare wooded park, it is located in the immediate vicinity of the forest and the canal d'Orléans.

The commune of Vitry-aux-Loges has all the essential services on site (food shops, healthcare, bank, post office and a few shops), accessible on foot, by bike, by car or by bus. The house is 30 minutes away from Orléans train station by car.

How to get there?

By train then by bus (2h from Paris)

Take the TER from Paris Austerlitz Orléans.

Then take the bus Rémi 45 - line 17 at Orléans bus terminal, heading to Beaune-la-Rolande.

Get off at Square Vitry-aux-Loges.

By car (2h from Paris)

Via the highway A6, the highway A10 or the national road N2O.



FRAMEWORK AND TERMS OF STAY

Mode of operation

Artagon publishes two calls for application per year, for the Spring-Summer season, and the Fall and the Winter seasons. This call for applications concerns the Fall 2023 season, from 11 September to 20 December, and the Winter 2024 season, from 8 January to 3 April.

Artists, researchers and professionals wishing to stay at Maison Artagon and responding to this call may apply for the duration of their choice, for a period of two to four consecutive weeks. This duration may be discussed with the Artagon team and refined according to the needs of the different residents and availability of the rooms.

Maison Artagon will be closed during school vacations (zone B) for both seasons.

Facilities and amenities

Completely renovated and refurbished in 2015, the house can accommodate 5 residents concurrently with a single room and a single or double bed for each. The rooms can be used as an office and possibly as a studio for practices that are not space intensive.

Residents have access to an Internet connection, as well as free access to a study room to carry out their research and projects. Books or documentary resources (subscriptions to platforms or magazines, etc.) may be acquired by Artagon on a case-by-case basis according to the needs expressed by the residents.

In addition to these spaces for reflection and work, the residents have access to several common living areas (living room, dining room, fully-equipped kitchen, shower rooms, bathroom, laundry room) and to the parc. There is also a vehicle available to everyone on site.

Modalities for the residents

As Maison Artagon is a place dedicated to research, design and exploration, the residents are under no obligation to produce results. It is a period dedicated solely to free experimentation.

Artagon bears the cost of accommodation and all associated charges (water, electricity, Internet, etc.). Residents are responsible for their own daily expenses: transport to and from Maison Artagon, travel, food, etc.

The stay is free of charge, but there is no provision for *per diem*, remuneration, or research and production grants.

In accordance with the values defended by Artagon, the residents will be able, according to their interests, to meet with various local publics during their stay, in order to share their research with them, to create conversation and to bring out mutual inspiration. The public could be composed of students, social structures, local residents, rural actors, etc.

In the case of the organization of workshops, meetings or restitutions with a public, carried out with the assistance of the Artagon team, a remuneration is provided.



HOW TO APPLY?

Candidate profiles

This call for applications is open to all emerging artists, scholars and professionals in all fields of contemporary creation, based in France or abroad. It is intended for people with a professional practice or in the process of professionalization. Collectives and organisations may also apply, within the limit of the maximum number of beds available.

Applicants must have an established artistic practice or professional or research activity, with the completion of several projects, and express a need to take a step back to develop new projects or simply to take a break from the flow of their activity.

No other conditions, either in terms of resources, nationality, age or degree, are required.

It is possible to apply in French or English.

Collective applications

In the case of a collective application, one form must be filled out, specifying the number of rooms requested. In addition, it is also necessary to send a single document presenting the project carried out collectively, as well as a single document containing all the CVs.

Collective applicants are not required to be part of a legal structure.

Application process

Applicants must fill out the application form before Sunday 21 May 2023 11:59pm.

CLICK HERE TO ACCESS THE APPLICATION FORM

- ★ An artistic or professional resume, depending on the applicant's profile.
- ★ A portfolio (for the artists) or a document presenting past projects (for the professionals, scholars, collectives, associations, etc.).

Both documents should be sent in a single email in PDF format to

candidatures@artagon.org. First name, last name and the name of the call for applications must be indicated in the subject of the email, in the following format:
First name Last name - Maison Artagon (in the case of a collective or a structure: Name - Maison Artagon).

Application format

The CV and the presentation document must be sent in PDF format as an attachment to the email. No WeTransfer or links in the body of the email will be opened. Additional links must be embedded in the attached documents.

The presentation document must not exceed 50 pages. The total size of the attachments must not exceed 15 MB.

Applications that are too large, incomplete or do not meet these conditions will not be considered.

Questions and results

Complementary questions should also be sent by email to candidatures@artagon.org before 6pm on Thursday 18 May.

"Question about Maison Artagon" must be indicated in the subject of the email.

In case of a successful application: the successful applicant will be contacted by email at the end of June 2023 to organize their stay.

In case of unsuccessful application: the unsuccessful candidate will be contacted by email at the end of June 2023 to be notified of this decision.



View of a bathroom



View of a room



View of the kitchen



View of the parc



View of the dining room



View of the annexe room

TIMELINE

- \star 19 April 2023 : Opening of the call.
- ★ 21 May 2023 : Closing of the call.
- ★ From 19 to 30 June 2023: Announcement of the results for the Fall 2023 and Winter 2024 seasons.
- ★ From 11 September to 20 December 2023: Stays during the Fall 2023 season.
- ★ From 8 January to 3 April 2024: Stays during the Winter 2024 season.

ABOUT ARTAGON

Artagon is a non-profit organisation dedicated to the support, promotion and guidance of emerging creation and cultures, founded and led by the duo of artistic directors and curators Anna Labouze & Keimis Henni.

Throughout the year, it offers a wide range of programmes - exhibitions, events, production support, grants, training, meetings, support, documentation, creation and management of venues - aimed at art students, young artists and cultural professionals at the beginning of their career.

Artagon is today at the head of three places dedicated to the accompaniment of emerging creation in France: Artagon Marseille, Artagon Pantin near Paris and the Maison Artagon in Loiret.

Based on the vision that art and culture play a key role in the development of an innovative, more inclusive and caring society, and that emerging creation contributes to reinventing and enchanting the world, Artagon leads and provides guidances to projects in collaboration with numerous public and private actors, particularly in the economic, social and educational fields. Artagon promotes an inclusive, accessible and popular vision of contemporary creation, and acts in favour of the discovery of art by a wide range of audiences.

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